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MR. BEAM, CHAIRMAN.

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## REPORT

OF

THE COMMITTEE

ON THE

MARYLAND HOSPITAL,

TO THE

LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND.

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The committee appointed to visit and examine into the wants and condition of the Maryland Hospital, beg leave respectfully to

### REPORT:

That they visited the institution, and with due diligence examined into its wants and condition. The committee concur in the opinion, that the institution merits the countenance and support of the State, and that the Legislature should authorise certain improvements, which, if carried into effect, would add to the comfort and convenience of its inmates. The annual receipts of this institution have always been equal to its expenses, and, there is every reason to believe, that hereafter the charges against the invalids will be adequate to its support; and it is only necessary for the Legislature to improve its condition, to extend its benefits. The committee believe, that when the policy by which this institution is governed becomes stable, and it is known that it is to be administered with a benevolent and tender attention, to the comfort of those who may be entrusted to its care, it will secure the interest and sympathy of the community, and thereby enlarge the sphere of its usefulness; that it will attract an affluent class of patients, whose condition in life will afford a liberal allowance for their accommodation, and thereby produce a surplus revenue to be applied to the maintenance of the entire establishment, in a proper state of comfort and repair.

The first object of your committee was to ascertain whether appropriations, made by the State had been judiciously expended, and whether the apartments of the institution were adequate to